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- (a) (1) The Commission consists of nine members.
  - (2) Of the nine members of the Commission:
    - (i) one shall be a member of a career fire company;
    - (ii) three shall be members of volunteer fire companies;
    - (iii) one shall be an architect or engineer;
    - (iv) one shall be a building contractor;
    - (v) two shall be representatives of industry; and
    - (vi) one shall be a member of the public.
  - (3) Of the nine members of the Commission:
- (i) one shall reside in Western Maryland, which is the region that consists of Allegany, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett, and Washington counties;
- (ii) one shall reside in Central Maryland, which is the region that consists of Baltimore, Harford, and Howard counties;
- (iii) one shall reside in Southern Maryland, which is the region that consists of Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, and St. Mary's counties;
- (iv) one shall reside in the Washington Metropolitan Area, which is the region that consists of Montgomery and Prince George's counties;
- (v) one shall reside on the Eastern Shore, which is the region that consists of Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, and Worcester counties; and
  - (vi) four shall represent the State at large.
- (4) The Secretary shall appoint the members with the approval of the Governor.

- (b) Each member shall have experience and training to deal with the matters that are the responsibilities of the Commission.
  - (c) (1) The term of a member is 5 years.
- (2) The terms of members are staggered as required by the terms provided for members of the Commission on October 1, 2003.
- (3) At the end of a term, a member continues to serve until a successor is appointed and qualifies.
- (4) A member who is appointed after a term has begun serves only for the rest of the term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.
  - (5) A member may not serve more than 2 terms.
- (d) With the approval of the Governor, the Secretary may remove a member for neglect of duty or other sufficient cause.

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